

REMARKS

Claims 1-22 were previously cancelled, and claims 28, 30, 32-34, 36-37 and 44 are cancelled and new claims 45-55 are presented in this paper. Claims 23-27, 29, 31, 35, 38-43, and 45-55 are pending in the application.

Formal drawings have been submitted under a separate cover sheet.

A Request for Continuing Examination and Petition for a three-month extension of the time for response accompanies this paper, together with the appropriate fees.

Independent Claim 23 has been amended to include features believed to patentably distinguish over the cited references, singly or in combination, and to delete features not believed to be necessary to patentability. Dependent claim 54 includes the features previously recited in claim 23.

Independent claims 31, 38, and 40 have been amended to include features believed to patentably distinguish over the cited references, singly or in combination.

Claims 29 and 35 have been amended to depend from claim 23. Several dependent claims have been amended in minor ways.

New dependent claims 45-55 are included to set forth additional subject matter to which the applicants are believed to be entitled. No new matter has been added.

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, reconsideration, reexamination, and allowance of the present application is respectfully requested.

Should the Examiner believe that a telephone conference would assist in resolving any issues or expedite prosecution, he is cordially invited to contact the undersigned at the number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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